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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Title page, Item [54] and Column 1, lines 1-3,

Title, "IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD  
AND RECORDING MEDIUM" should read -- IMAGE PROCESSING  
APPARATUS, IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND RECORDING  
MEDIUM --.

Signed and Sealed this

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "J" and a cursive "Dudas".

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